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MILWAUKEE POLICE OFFICER SHOT DURING CONFRONTATION WITH ARMED SUSPECT

A Milwaukee Police Officer is recovering from his injuries tonight after he was shot multiple times by a suspect about 3:08 p.m. Saturday, April 11, 2009 in a gangway between two houses in the 1200 block of S. 36th Street.

Milwaukee Police first received a call about 3 p.m. from a woman regarding an armed suspect involved in a domestic situation in the 1300 block of S. 36th Street.

Officers responded to the area and spotted the SUV the suspect was alleged to be driving. Upon attempting to stop the vehicle, the suspect stopped the car and ran into the yards. Several responding officers, all in uniform and in marked squads, pursued the suspect into the yards.

When one of the officers confronted the suspect in a gangway between two houses, both the officer and the suspect fired weapons. Both men were shot multiple times. The officer is 30 years old and has seven years of service with the Milwaukee Police Department. He is recovering from his injuries tonight.

The suspect, a 45-year-old male, has an extensive arrest record. He is currently on Federal probation for an incident in January 2000 in which he pointed a gun and attempted to discharge it at Milwaukee police officers. He is a convicted felon and has an arrest record for robbery, aggravated battery, burglary, possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, escape from police, operating an auto without owner's consent, carrying a concealed weapon and issue of worthless checks. The suspect is in critical condition at a local hospital. Drugs were recovered near the suspect at the scene as was his gun.

As is standard operating procedure, the incident is under investigation by the Milwaukee Police Department and the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office. The officer was placed on administrative duty pending the completion of the investigation. The Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office will make the final determination in the incident.

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